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FOR ABOVE ADDRESSEES, DEA HQS FOR DURKIN/EN, BELK/IG  
FROM ARD LEAMY

E.O. 11652: GDS

SUBJ: UN TURKISH CONTROL PROGRAM-EQUIPMENT AND PLANS CHECK LIST

REF: STATE 31503 DTG 120029Z FEB, 75, SUBJ: UN TURKISH  
CONTROL PROGRAM-EQUIPMENT AND PLANS CHECK LIST.

1. WE AGREE WITH THE SUGGESTION IN PARAGRAPH 16 OF  
REFTEL THAT A SIGNIFICANT NUMBER OF THE 150 FOUR WHEEL  
DRIVE PICKUPS (WHICH WERE EARLIER PROVIDED TO THE GOT UNDER AID  
LOAN 277-H-086) SHOULD BE COMMITTED TO THE CONTROL PROGRAM  
AND FURTHER SUGGEST THAT UN MISSION URGE THIS ON GOT.

2. ALTHOUGH ADVANTAGES OF FIXED WINGED AIR CRAFT AS  
CITED IN PARAGRAPH 26 OF REFTL ARE CORRECT, WE NEVER-  
THELESS BELIEVE JANDARMA USE OF HELICOPTERS IN  
SURVEILLANCE OF LICENSED CULTIVATION AND DETECTION OF  
ILLICIT CULTIVATION PREFERABLE FOR SEVERAL REASONS.  
FIXED WINGED AIRCRAFT DO NOT RPT NOT HAVE THE MANEUVERABILITY  
OF HELICOPTERS AND ARE MORE SUBJECT TO THE VIOLENT  
AIR CURRENTS OF MOUNTAINOUS REGIONS SUCH AS THOSE IN  
WHICH BOTH LICIT AND ILICIT CULTIVATION ARE FOUND.

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3. THE PIPER AIRCRAFT, ALSO PROVIDED TO JANDARMA, UNDER AID LOAN AND THE CESSNA 180 AIRCRAFT, RECOMMENDED IN REFTEL FOR POSSIBLE DELIVERY TO THE GOT, HAVE THEIR WINGS LOCATED UNDER THE COCKPIT AND ARE THEREFORE INAPPROPRIATE FOR CLOSE SURVEILLANCE OF POPPY FIELDS, BUT COULD BE USED FOR OTHER ENFORCEMENT ACTIVITIES. ONLY ONE HELIO STOL AIRCRAFT (PROVIDED UNDER THE AID LOAN) WHOSE WING PLACEMENT IS SATISFACTORY FOR AERIAL SURVEILLANCE, IS PRESENTLY AVAILABLE TO THE JANDARMA.

4. THE USE OF HELICOPTERS WOULD ALSO HAVE A GREATER PSYCHOLOGICAL EFFECT IN THAT THEY CAN FLY MUCH LOWER, CAN HOVER OVER SUSPECTED CULTIVATION AND FARMERS, AND HAVE THE POTENTIAL, AT LEAST IN THE MINDS OF THE FARMERS, TO IMMEDIATELY LAND TROOPS FOR ON-SITE INSPECTION OF SUSPECT CULTIVATION OR ACTIVITY. IN DISCUSSIONS WITH DEA ANKARA THE JANDARMA HAS EXPRESSED ITS PREFERENCE FOR HELICOPTERS OVER FIXED WINGED AIRCRAFT FOR SUCH SURVEILLANCE CITING ESSENTIALLY THE SAME JUSTIFICATION CITED ABOVE. ACCORDINGLY WE BELIEVE THE UN MISSION SHOULD ENCOURAGE THE DEPLOYMENT OF AVAILABLE JANDARMA AND TURKISH MILITARY HELICOPTERS TO THIS VITAL SURVEILLANCE EFFORT.

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